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Periodic Reporting (Proposal Four)

Docket No. RM2015-12

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2

(Issued August 27, 2015)

To clarify the Postal Service's petition to consider a change in analytical principles, filed July 17, 2015,¹ the Postal Service is requested to provide a written response to the following question. The answer should be provided as soon as it is developed, but no later than September 3, 2015.

The Commission may initiate a rulemaking proceeding to consider a change in analytical principles "[t]o improve the quality, accuracy, or completeness of the data or analysis of data contained in the Postal Service's annual periodic reports to the Commission." 39 C.F.R. § 3050.11(a). The Postal Service states that Proposal Four "streamline[s] processing by eliminating 16 of the 20 files provided by the St. Louis International Accounting Branch."

Please confirm that eliminating 16 of the 20 data source files minimizes the potential for errors in the analysis of data contained in the International Cost and Revenue Analysis (ICRA) report annexed to the Annual Compliance Report. If not confirmed, please explain how Proposal Four improves the quality, accuracy, or completeness of the data or analysis of data contained in the ICRA report.

By the Acting Chairman.

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¹ Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Four), July 17, 2015 (Petition).

² Responses of the United Postal Service to Questions 1-4 of Chairman's Information Request No. 1, August 10, 2015, question 4.